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In re Application of:

Pan et al.

Serial No.: 09/614,113

Filed: July 12, 2000

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OF PITTING ON SILICON SUBSTRATE
DURING GATE STACK ETCH

Confirmation No.: 1710

Examiner: D. Deo

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The following amendments are remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Final Office Action mailed April 8, 2003 (Paper No. 19) and the Advisory Action mailed June 23, 2003 (Paper No. 21). The three-month statutory period for response expires on July 8, 2003.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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